Says His Talking Moving Pictures Will Put EDISON Grand Opera Trust Clear Out of Business

18 Hours a Day and Is Still a Young Man.

IS PERFECTING TALKING MACHINE

Newest "Talkies" Show Scenery and People In Natural Colors.

DOOR in Thomas A. Edison's laboratory in the Valley road,

West Orange, clicked open admitting the merry witard to the room where his particular pets, the darlings of his heart, he calls them, his newest perfected disc phanographs, live and ning for him alone.

Through the apen door from the humaning workshops of his great playhouse poured the brilliancy of hundreds of electrics. There was a surging and rumbling of dynames. Fifty talking machines under the hands of testers were talking or singing for their board and keep. By his many inventions Mr. Edison was lighted and trumpeled into the room.

Virorous on Eve an 67.

"New, I'm mighty glad to see you." he said, as he drooped into an arm-chair and stretched his legs comfortably. "Am I well and hearty with my sixty seventh birthday just past? Well, now, look at me. What d'ye say your-He was talking to a New York

n man.
There was only one thing to say—
at nithough he was 67 last week he
sked vigorous aneagh and healthy
ough to invent many more things
mute the world happy and com-

His head is big, wide of brow and hanescene, with plenty of whitening hair that he combs carelessly. There are few wrinkles in the broad pink and withe face. Gray eres and expressive mouth have the habit of smiling, but Mr. Edison's temper, as they know around his factories, shore circuits and flames blue if wasts, carelessess or disobedience grits his disposition. For the rest he is sunny, simple mannered and detestful of gands and canities.

plaining—she tried it and has kept right on."

William H. Meadowcroft. Mr. Edison of friend. confidant and assistant for more than thirty years, came into the room at that moment, busy on one of eight or nine hundred jobs that had to be 'cleared up before night.

"What's he heen talking about, the Innouncia club?" said Mr. Meadowcroft. "Mrs. Edison put an end to that. About a year and a half ago she went away on a vinit and what do you suppose this husband of hers and a few of his old eronies, electrical experts and than the work of the club when she got buck."

Mr. Edison heard the stery of the disbanding of the Insouncia club and his sides shook.

"By the way, Mr. Edison," reminded Mr. Meadowcroft, "you have an appointment with some singers for this afternoon, a workano, a mexico and one or two others."

"Is there a tenor robusto in the collection," inquired the base blowing out that otherwise."

Young Indian is Inventor's Protege.

A young Senecs indian, copper skinned and sable baired—n protege of the inventor—antered the room and four chard and sable baired—n protege of the inventor—antered the room and one of the founce of any inventor—antered the room and suiterly boyish in pride and delight. He pointed the diamond needle to a phonograph disk. It Edison smiled, tubbed his hands together and was literly boyish in pride and delight. He pointed the diamond needle to a phonograph disk. It Edison for my heart," he said. "There's the darling of my heart," he said. "I think more of it than of any for years to perfect it and I or years to perfect it and I o

At Sixty-seven, He Works Thomas A. Edison, "The Wizard";



or I o'clock. A young fellow like me with lots of ideas in his head only needs five hounts of sleep."

"But what about those nine or ten ounces of food you say you have trained Mrs. Edison up to, or down to, rather?"

Thinks People Eat Too Much, "That's right. That's no loke."

Inneed Mr. Edison. "People eat too darned much. That's why they're always hean that way. When languaged my to get down too. I started in years and to feed myself about ten ounces of food daily. I eat everything I like and after home thing. I persynaded Mrs. Edison that I had the right idea and after home argument—it took a little explaining—she tried it and has kept right on."

William H, Meadowcroft, Mr. Edison that room at that moment, busy on one of eight or nine hundred jobs that had to be cleared up before night.

food. I get up about six and usually find something to play with until 12 or 1 o'clock. A young fellow like me with lots of ideas in his head only mending and that corts a heap. In "But what about those nine or ten ounces of food you say you have play with science and hone the councer of the country in this laboratory here where I sort of the room by that time is leading the way to the "talkies studio," a long, low room with a small white sheet at one end and a movie operator's perch at the other. A few words of this laboratory here where I sort of the room by that time is leading the way to the "talkies studio," a long, low room with a small white sheet at one end and a movie operator's perch at the other. A few words of the room by that time is long, low room with a small white sheet at one end and a movie operator's perch at the other. A few words of the room by that time

Is Deluged With Letters,

In the big library where he person-ally directs the intricate affairs of his was engaged for a few minutes with somebody who wanted a contract for something or other. Mr. Meadowcroft was sorting the day's mail, a great heap of books, letters, newspapers, all sorts of things.

"He receives an average of 100 let-ters a day, besides manuscript music, books, plans for inventions and good-ness knows what," explained Mr. Meadowcroft. "Look at this now." Mr. Meadowcroft displayed a copy of a book written about the lost island of Atlantis which had been mailed to Mr. Edison for his opinion. On the cover was written: "This ought to interest Mr. Edison, for the writer knows more about electricity than he knows more about electricity than he

afternoon, a source and one or two others."

"It there a tenor robusto in the collection," inquired the boss blowing out this cheeks and grinding. "Hooray for tenors robusto." By know these singers are all cubits by temperament? They're a lot of fun."

"By George!" he said, "Im going to my podunk,"

"By George!" he said, "Im going to give Podunk grand opera for 10 cents.

from outside suggestions, and the rule was made to prevent such trickery.

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"Have you any special word to any to the United States?" Mr. Edison was asked when he was again disengaged.

"Oh, the old U. S. A. is all right," he replied. "I should like to say, though, that I hope the government will be mightly slow about going into Mexico, We are big enough to stand having our toes stepped on a little, ch? We are big enough to stand a little humiliation, maybe, for humanity's sake, ain't we? I'm willing to take my share of the humiliation. Let them fight it out down there, I say. That will be the best thing in the end.

"I truly believe the world is leaning more" toward peace. That shakan mess disgusted folks."

Umpiring Game of Love Should Youths Marry or Wait Until They Reach the National Leugus of Their Ambitions?

- By Beatrice Fairfax

Rather Precarious to Advise.

Daily Fashion Hint



BY LA RACONTEUSE,

Mme. Mistinuett brought up in "La Revue Legere" at L 'Olympia, her critical humor in this caricature of the present fashions, recalling all the past styles, from the directoirs to the empire. This model is developed in fron gray velvet over a very narrow skirt, tightly draped and exaggeratedly

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EW YORK, Feb. 21.—If a 318 foot at a standard of the Guit of the Munroo Iline, can be on the northern conat of the Guit of Guina, West Africa, Giveen Phonomeral of the Guit of Guina, West Africa, Giveen Phonomeral of the Guit of Guina, West Africa, Giveen Phonomeral Prof. In the Guina of the San and Transport of the Guina of the Guina of the Guina of the San and San a carried of chief San and to farm, and win bugo profits for the Guina of the Gui

Panama Canal May Change Desert 200 Miles Long Into Popular Health Resort

Peruvian Waste Has Mummies and Sand Hills That Travel and Bury Villages; No Rain Has Fallen in 22 Years.

PAITA. Peru. Feb. 21.—I am 850 miles south of Panama on the northern eage of the great South American desert. My last retter was said in the lungles of the Ecuadoran tropics. This comes from a country as dry as any past of the Salara. The counts is all sand and rock and the Andrea mountains, which lie close behind, are as sterile as the driest part of the great western plateau. The first port after leaving Ganyaquil is Tumbor. It belongs to Peru, but lies for the Ecuadoran line and is an oasis of green.

Promises to grow very fast when the can be dried some samitation before it can be made a sufe port for our great waterway. Just now the lown swarms with the test reach a height of six or eight from your to year in order that the crop may be the more easily gathered. On other plantations a single sowing about ten months after it is planted, and the principal yield is obtained when the plants are 20 months old.

The air is such that it sucks the fines out of anything left out of doors. It is as healthful as Egypt. It will keep a corpss of a mummy, and it begins to decline. The common method of planting is to put the seeds in the two put in the ground with a stick, and let the trees reach a height of six or eight test. After that they are cut back the plants are such that they would form a paradiag for the plants are such that they would form a paradiag for the plants of anything left out of doors. It is as healthful as Egypt. It will keep a corps of the aft that has not the plants are 20 months old.

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Beyond Tumber the desert begins, and it extends from there southward down the westward coast of the confident for a distance as long as that between the Albania or the confidence of the confid

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desert, and from some of them mum-mies have been dug which look almost as fresh as when they were buried. They are quite as fresh as the mum-mies in the museum at Cairo. They were usually cured in a sliting pos-ture, wrapped in cloth and 'led up with string.

buring a former trip to this desert. I visited some of the ruins of cities that were in existence long before the finchs came. In the Jequetepeque (liee-e-te-pe-ke) valley back of Pacasmayo I found a large mound which was once the site of a palace or possibly a temple devoted to the vestal virgins of the sun. All about me were blis of pottery of an unknown nation of the past. The remains showed that the building was nearly square, and it was 500 feet wide at the base. It was made of adobe and then plastered on the outside with mud and washed with

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The Peruvian steamer upon which I am sailing has brought here two barge-loads of galvanized from pipe and of eight inch castiron casings for the Lobitos oil regions, which are altusted about 45 miles up the coast. The pipe comes from the National Tube works at Pittsburg and the shippers are a branch of the Standard Oil company.

A Little Bit of Humor Simple To Solve



Complete the picture by drawing pencil line through the dots. Begin at No. 1 and take them numerically,